

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION OF NOVEMBER 20, 2006**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action dated November 20, 2006, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. This response is timely filed as it is accompanied by the requisite fee for a one month extension of time, extending the response deadline to March 20, 2007.

The Status of the Claims is reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.